

LOWESTOFT PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR

1966

TABLE A

SECTION I - STAFF

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other appointments held
Arthur C. Gee	Port Medical Officer of Health	1.1.49	M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.	Area Medical Officer of Health E.S.C.C.
H. Cormack	Chief Port Health Inspector	6.9.52	Cert S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I.	Chief Public Health Inspector
F. G. S. Hill	Deputy Port Health Inspector	3.1.55	Cert S.I.B.	Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector

Address and telephone number of the Medical Officer of Health - Public Health Department, Clapham Road, Lowestoft
Telephone No. - Lowestoft 2171.

TABLE B

SECTION II - Amount of Shipping Entering the District during the Year

Ships from	Number	Tonnage	Number Inspected		Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board.
			By the Medical Officer of Health	By the Port Health Inspectors	
Foreign Ports	393	88,850	NIL	45	NIL
Coastwise	264	51,016	NIL	4	NIL
TOTALS	657	139,866	NIL	49	NIL



TABLE B

SECTION II BRITISH FISHING VESSELS - Number of Landings by British Fishing Vessels made in the port during the Year.

	Landings	Approx. Tonnage	Inspections
Trawlers	2,312	134,096	}
Drifters	176	9,680	
TOTAL	2,488	143,776	

TABLE C

SECTION III CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR


Passenger Traffic: Number of Passengers INWARDS - Nil
Number of Passengers OUTWARDS - Nil

Cargo Traffic: Principal IMPORTS - Timber, Fruit Pulp, Dried Peas, Maize, Animal Foods, Cocoa Butter, Roadstone, Chemicals, Petroleum, Steel Tubing, Fertiliser, Textiles, Paraffin Wax.

Principal EXPORTS - Grain, Chemicals, Metal Ingots, Crane Machinery, Vehicle Parts, Glass Cones, Waste Paper.

FRANCE: St. Malo
BELGIUM: Antwerp
HOLLAND: Amsterdam. Harlingen. IJmuiden. Rotterdam.
GERMANY: Bremen. Hamburg. Wismar.
DENMARK: Aarhus. Esbjerg.
SWEDEN: Gefle. Kristinehamn. Koping. Norrsundet. Sundsvall. Munksund. Hudiksvall.
FINLAND: Mantsaluoto. Kemi. Pateniemi. Rytta. Kotka. Toppila. Hamina.
POLAND: Stettin. Gdansk.
U.S.S.R.: Leningrad. Oenga.
BRAZIL: Sao Francisco do Sul.
CANADA: Mulgrave.

Principal Ports
from which Ships
arrive:



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<p><u>SECTION IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC</u></p> <p>Numbers and Tonnage using the district and places served by the traffic</p> <p>NIL.</p>
<p><u>SECTION V - WATER SUPPLY</u></p> <p>No Change.</p>
<p><u>SECTION VI - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS 1952-1961</u></p> <p>No Change.</p>
<p><u>SECTION VII - SMALLPOX</u></p> <p>No Change.</p>
<p><u>SECTION VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE</u></p> <p>No Change.</p>

<u>TABLE D</u> <u>SECTION IX - CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS</u>				
Category	Disease	Number of cases during the year		Number of ships concerned
		Passengers	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
<u>SECTION X</u> <u>OBSERVATIONS OF THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS</u>				
No occurrence of this disease.				
<u>SECTION XI</u> <u>MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED FOR PLAGUE</u>				
No occurrence of this disease.				

SECTION XII - MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

No Change

TABLE E • RODENTS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

Nil - Not an approved Port.

TABLE F DERATTING CERTIFICATES AND DERATTING EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES
CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR FOR SHIPS FROM FOREIGN
PORTS

Nil - Not an approved Port.

TABLE G SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCE

INSPECTION AND NOTICES

Nature of Inspection	Number Inspected	Notices served		Result of serving notices
		Statutory Notices	Other Notices	
Foreign Shipping	45	Nil	4	These dealt with: (a) Insect infestation (1) (b) Deratization certificate needing renewal (3) These ships have not returned to the port.
Coastwise Shipping	4	Nil	Nil	Nil
British Fishing Vessels	1546	Nil	22	These concerned the following items: (a) Dirty bedding (11) (b) Water tanks in need of cleansing (48) (c) Unsatisfactory cleanliness of crews quarters (5) (d) Galleys in need of painting (4) (e) Food lockers in need of painting (6) (f) Defective W.C. pans (3) (g) Defective sink (1) (h) Defective stove (1) All notices complied with.

SECTION XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS (APPLICABLE ONLY TO PORTS
APPROVED FOR LANDING ALIENS).

Not an approved Port.

SECTION XVI - MISCELLANEOUS (ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BURIAL ON SHORE
OF PERSONS WHO HAVE DIED ON BOARD FROM INFECTIOUS
DISEASE).

No Change.

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Chief Public Health Inspector - H. Cormack
Deputy Port Health Inspector - F. G. S. Hill

CHARACTER OF PORT

The outer harbour consists of the Waveney Dock, Hamilton Dock and Trawl Dock and the inner harbour is formed by Lake Lothing from the Swing Bridge to Mutford Lock.

The outer harbour is used for the landing of white fish and herrings and for the fuelling and icing of the fishing fleet. The inner harbour is used for ship building, repairs, servicing of shipping and general commercial use.

New workshops and offices for Shell Exploration together with roadways were completed.

A small transit shed has been erected for storage of cattle foods and fertilizers.

At the dry dock flood lighting has been installed in connection with the docking and undocking of vessels.

A new toilet block, mess room and clothes drying room has been constructed for the use of workers at the dry dock.

A new jetty is under construction for the berthing of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food research vessels.

The transit shed for use in connection with the liner service to the Continent has been completed.

Work has commenced on a new quay and transit shed at the western end of the North Quay together with a new roadway to be used for general cargo trade.

The Trawl Basin quay has been reconstructed. The old timber market buildings have been demolished in readiness for the erection of a new fish processing hall the building of which is expected to begin early in 1967.

MEDICAL SERVICES

The Port Medical Officer is frequently asked for medical advice regarding injured or sick seamen aboard vessels making for the port. Details of these cases come to the shipping agents concerned, by radio telephone.

Foreign seamen are seen by the Port Medical Officer and either sent to hospital or the master of the vessel given instructions regarding suitable treatment. Seamen on local boats, who live in the district are referred to their own family doctors.

The Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen has a modern hostel for fishermen in the town, to which a local general practitioner is attached for any medical services that may be required.

WATER SUPPLY

The scheme to provide mains water on the Waveney Dock has been completed and metered supplies of water are now provided to every office and fish merchants stands. Additional supplies are also provided for the watering of trawlers and the cleansing of the market. Use of chlorinated dock water has now been discontinued.

MARKET CLEANSING

The fish markets are hosed down daily using mains water and this work has been efficiently carried out all through the year by the employees of the Docks Board.

FISH LANDINGS FOR THE YEAR

The average monthly strength of the fleet was 101 vessels. The highest number of vessels at sea was 112. There were 2312 landings made, 105 more than in 1965. A number of landings by Lowestoft trawlers were made at the port of Grimsby. Four vessels joined the fleet from other ports and six vessels left the port, five going to Africa and one to Hull.

The quantities and value of fish landed during 1966 are set out below -

	<u>Cwts.</u>	<u>Value (£'s)</u>
Brill	359	4,115
Catfish	2,663	8,300
Cod	131,104	552,888
Conger Eels	4	13
Dabs	4,943	17,176
Dogfish	1,939	8,471
Flounders	8	10
Gurnards	1,015	2,824
Haddock	23,278	89,283
Hake	111	810
Halibut	48	713
Lemon Soles	6,816	69,953
Ling	1,090	2,000
Mackerel (Trawl)	39	128
Monkfish	696	3,237
Plaice	235,750	1,857,130
Pollock	92	258
Roes	307	1,910
Saithe	156	341
Skates/Rays	6,233	32,146
Soles	4,299	101,866
Turbot	9,821	157,514
Whiting	2,616	6,554
Witches	337	2,072
All others	729	2,115
TOTALS	<u>434,453</u>	<u>£ 2,921,827</u>

East Anglian Herring Fishing Season

Number of Landings	176
Quantity of Crans landed	5,405
Value	£55,185

Disposal of herring during the season :-

	<u>Crans.</u>
Redded	1141
Kipperd	339
Marinated	102
Canned	21
Frozen	894
Meal & Oil	2
Freshed	2841
Pet Food	50
Whelk Bait	15
Total	<u>5,405</u>

The Lowestoft drifter fleet consisted of only six vessels, none of which were Scottish.

INSPECTIONS

1546 inspections of trawlers and drifters were made during the year in connection with the sanitary condition of crews quarters, water supply and the cleanliness of fish rooms.

The attention of the owners was drawn to the following conditions:-

Dirty bedding	11
Water tanks in need of cleansing	48
Unsatisfactory cleanliness of crews quarters	5
Galleys in need of painting	4
Food locker in need of painting	6
Defective water closets	3
Defective sink	1
Defective stove	1

As in previous years, immediate attention was given to the remedying of these conditions.

FISH INSPECTION

All white fish landed was inspected daily before the commencement of the fish auction sales.

RODENT CONTROL

280 inspections were made in connection with the issue of certificates under the Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956.

Minor infestations were noted aboard ten trawlers and these were dealt with by the Council's rodent operator.

VERMIN

Crew accommodation was disinfested for the following causes:-

Lice	5 trawlers
Scabies	4 trawlers

CONCLUSION

Your Port Medical Officer of Health and your Chief Port Health Inspector have pleasure in again recording their appreciation of the ready and willing co-operation which has at all times been accorded by the various sections of the fishing industry, the District Fisheries Officer, the Docks Manager and his staff and by the officers of H.M. Customs and Excise.

